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Tech student fee increase will bring more services

Tom Lutey
Kaimin Reporter

A \$278 fee increase is in the works for UM's College of Technology students, Dean of Students Barbara Hollmann said Tuesday, but Tech students will get a chance to speak out Wednesday before the plan is final.

The fee increase would bring technology students in line with their UM counterparts, boosting total semester fees from \$760 to \$1,038. It includes fees for health insurance, medical care, a student activity fee and an athletic fee Hollmann said.

John Zimmerling, an ASUM senator from Tech, will preside as chairman over a forum on the proposed increase at Tech's east campus in Room HB1 at 2 p.m.

Zimmerling, who supports the plan, said his biggest concern is that students realize what they're getting into.

"Obviously if you don't understand what you're paying for, you're not going to like it," he said.

The suggested changes include replacing the \$5 student government fee Tech students now pay with the \$28 activity fee paid by university students. In return, Tech students would

have access to ASUM's child care, legal services and ASUM funding for their organizations.

Tech students would also qualify for student health insurance as well as medical care and counseling at Student Health Services. Students could choose not to pay the \$122 insurance plan, but the \$122 Student Health Service fee would be mandatory. Zimmerling said Tech students have been interested in a health care package since 1993.

"Twelve months before we officially became a part of UM, their was a survey conducted and two-thirds of the students said they wanted health care," he said.

Zimmerling said that some Tech students are concerned about access to ASUM services and whether they'll get their money's worth.

"Obviously they're going to have to drive, but if people want it they're going to get it," he said. "Other people you could bring it right to them and they'd still find a way to make it difficult."

Hollmann said the students' comments would be taken to the January meeting of the Board of Regents, who have the final say on the fee increase.

Campus cops corral chicken

Shir-Khim Go
Kaimin Reporter

For the sake of art, a UM freshman could spend up to six months in jail and pay a \$500 fine.

UM art freshman, Troy Murphy, was cited Nov. 22 for misdemeanor cruelty to animals after he tried to elicit response about animal rights by putting a live chicken in a cage outside Main Hall.

Murphy had placed the chicken in a wire cage made in the shape of a life-size leaping cow, hoping to get some comments about animal rights.

Instead, when he came back with food and water for the chicken about 40 minutes later, the bird was gone.

According to UM Campus Security records, the chicken was "taken into custody" by a University Police officer and the temperature was 15 degrees. There was also no food and water in the cage.

But Murphy said it wasn't so cold that day and he never intended to outrage people with the chicken.

"I put the chicken in there to get people's point of view on animal rights," Murphy said. "If it was a rubber chicken or a fake chicken, it wouldn't have the same meaning."

Furthermore, he only intended to have the chicken there for just two hours at most, he added.

"I personally don't think it was cruel," Murphy said. "I think we have somebody overreacting to an art pro-

ject. I also hung it on a tree intentionally so people wouldn't take the chicken."

Bruce Johnson, also an art major who is in the same class as Murphy, said the cage was especially made to protect the chicken. The wires were twisted away from the chicken and there was a lot of straw inside the cage, he added.

Johnson said he's concerned that the art project has got Murphy in trouble with the law.

"It seems like such a minor thing," Johnson said.

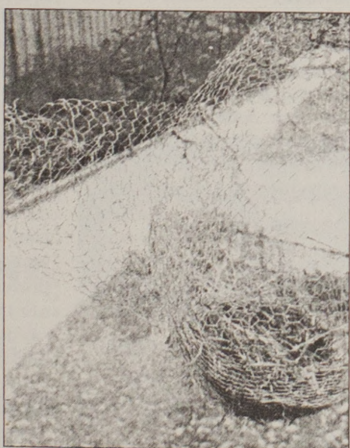
Mary Ann Bonjorni, the art professor teaching the class, is fully supportive of Murphy. She said the county agriculture agent and a vet whom she consulted both agree under Tuesday's circumstances that the chicken would have been fine.

"I go by what they say, they

are the experts," Bonjorni said. She added she would accompany Murphy to the Missoula Municipal Court Dec. 6 if the charge is not dropped.

Under Montana law, cruelty to animals carries a maximum sentence of a \$500 fine and six months in jail.

"Art causing controversy is the history of art," said Bonjorni, who gave her students the wire to make art pieces displayed around campus for a week. "I encourage the students to make art as strong as possible."



Tofer Towe/Kaimin

AT WHAT PRICE, ART? There's no chicken in this chicken wire, but there was. Freshman Troy Murphy is facing legal action after a University Police officer took the chicken into custody. Murphy said he was trying to make a statement about animal rights.

Ravenous raptor ...



Rebecca Huntington/Kaimin

MAX, a golden eagle, checks out his breakfast. One of Kate Phillips Davis' injured raptors, Max has poison-induced brain damage which impairs his balance, keeping him earthbound. Davis cut the lead shot out of this donated squirrel before offering it to Max. See story page 5.

Voluntary term limits ...

ASUM assistant resigns: Second loss this month

Erin Billings
Kaimin Reporter

ASUM was hit with a second surprise vacancy this month when Student Political Action Assistant Joao Tomazeli called it quits Tuesday, saying he needs more time to devote to his personal life and schoolwork.

"I think someone with more time should take the place," he said.

Tomazeli said his marriage this October and graduation plans for next semester have created too many time constraints to effectively complete his term.

"It's kind of sad to see it go by," he said. "I have to make some long-run choices."

Two weeks ago, ASUM Sen. Christina Witt resigned to take a local political internship with U.S. Sen. Conrad Burns.

Student Political Action is the political arm of ASUM that deals

with issues involving the university and state.

Tomazeli said he regrets having to quit, adding that he was happy with his role at SPA.

"A lot of good things can be done through SPA," he said.

Jon Lindsay, ASUM vice president, said he didn't foresee

Tomazeli's resignation, but added that he isn't surprised when students quit ASUM positions.

"It's just the nature of the game," he said. "It's unavoidable because we're students."

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—Jon Lindsay,
ASUM vice president

Tomazeli's resignation comes at a critical time, Lindsay said. With only three weeks left in the semester and many other political groups needing interns, interest is low, he said.

"We've had a hell of a time getting any applications for anything," he said.

expressions

Computer porn sick but so is censorship

The effect of emerging Internet culture drew national attention recently when Carnegie-Mellon University in Pennsylvania banned access to pornographic pictures from its campus computers.

The dispute started when Martin Rimm, the college's research associate, released the results of his study on sexually-oriented material available on computer networks. Rimm collected 917,410 pictures students can actually call up on the Internet, and found those pictures were downloaded 6.4 million times by users at the college.

Kaimin viewpoint

No one at UM has done such extensive and controversial research on how much access UM's computer users can have to "dirty pictures," but no one hides, either, that those materials are available, and the interests for pornographic materials, some of which show bestiality, homosexuality and heterosexuality, are high enough to keep the access open for UM students.

John Cleaveland, executive director of UM's Informational Technology, said UM doesn't currently have a policy to regulate student access to dirty materials, but there is always discussion among officials about going toward a more regulatory way.

UM should stay away from changing its current policy, or non-policy.

Even if some of the pictures might look absolutely disgusting, the university should steer clear from censoring certain pictures or chasing down students' Internet record to check if they have played with X-rated pictures, as long as the university wants to stay as an educational, not moralistic, institution.

It's not a university's responsibility to monitor a student's activity on Internet; it's the police's.

If the university starts banning certain pictures based on its own judgement it could start banning other kinds of pictures, not just pornographic ones, but pictures that just raise someone's eyebrows. Cleaveland said UM does intervene when someone specifically complains about someone else's activity on the Internet, on an individual basis, although he is not aware of any such case regarding pornography during the last six months he has served at UM. At other universities he worked at, Cleaveland said he saw cases in which someone was actually prosecuted after the computer service staff monitored the person's use of Internet.

Sounds scary? It does.

Internet is a great informational device that can broaden one's knowledge and perspectives. It allows people to not only communicate with someone thousands of miles away in seconds, but to also get such diverse information as national and international news, president's speeches, or holiday recipes. It's too bad its great advantages are being overshadowed by Carnegie's case, in which university officials might have carried their Big Brother attitude into the vast world of cyberspace.

Tomoko Otake

The bad-air blahs are back

Are you one of those people who regularly suffers the wintertime bad-air blahs?

You know, you wake up with an ache in the back of your throat, your nose congested, and (stop me if you know the syndrome) you spend much of the next several days employing everybody's recommended methods of phlegm-removal.

Well I'm not normally one of those people, at least not while I'm in Missoula.

But I returned to my ancestral homeland of Southern California this past week and found myself in Respiratory Ailment City.

The air at my parents' house in lovely Orange County, you see, is noxious and my body reacts to breathing it by becoming miserable and allowing very little activity except swilling orange juice and tomato soup at an unprecedented rate.

"So what," you (especially native Montanans) may react. "As far as I'm concerned all you Californians should go back there, contract diseases, and die rather than invading our great state."

And you have a good point there.

But would that stop the same ailment from eventually afflicting everyone in

Missoula?

I think not.

You see, I think you can't deny that you or somebody you know has at some point contracted the same syndrome from breathing the air right here in Missoula, especially in the winter. Now you can call me a radical if you wish, but I don't like getting sick from just breathing.

The relative contributions to Missoula's air-pollution problem can be debated forever, but it's pretty clear that the major contributors are industrial pollution, auto exhaust, smoke from wood stoves and road dust.

I'm not going to be naive and claim that we need to start looking at ways of reducing these pollutants because there are already many committed people working on these tasks. In fact, I'd like to applaud their efforts and suggest that all residents of Missoula and western Montana need to work to make sure our airshed doesn't end up poisoning us.

We can each start by driving less. Let's face it, Missoula is relatively small, and most of us have bicycles — and the bus is always an option as well.

Also, I believe Montana should adopt much harsher auto-emissions standards.

Sure there would be some cost to us car owner, but even

a starving student like myself managed to cover these costs when I lived in California.

I think that industrial polluters should also have to sustain the costs of higher emissions standards. I hate to keep harping on them (yeah, sure), but by fouling our air, big companies like Stone Container are just passing the costs of their pollution on to the citizens of western Montana.

As their neighbors, we citizens of Missoula need to inform ourselves about the practices of companies like Stone (in other words, be at tonight's "Community Informational Meeting on Stone Container" — 7:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers).

These are steps we could take, or we could just establish the annual Missoula Phlegm-Ball Spitting Contest. It's up to each of us.

— Rick Stern is a graduate student in environmental studies who might just decide to get rich by going into the gas mask business.

Column by

Rick Stern

Letters to the Editor

Columbus symbol of destruction

Editor,

I'd like to respond to Thomas Livoti. In both our responses there have been sharp barbs parried back and forth. This ultimately is a futile and pointless exercise, let's instead expand the concept of Columbus Day. Columbus represents the European discovery of the new world. It is also a fact that there were people living here before the Europeans came. Native peoples all over the Americas were quickly subdued by their new "guests" through disease and outright brutality.

We now share this country with native peoples. When I complain about Columbus Day I'm trying to open my eyes to history as truth. This approach is neither conservative, nor liberal, right nor wrong, nor is it multiculturalist dribble. With knowledge comes power and responsibility and by not questioning our history for what it is, we are all responsible for our nation's shortcomings. Columbus did keep slaves and kill native peoples. He did more than just discover the new world, and even that point is debatable.

For many native peoples, Columbus is a symbol of destruction. Another example

would be what Hitler represents to the Jews. Columbus was a man whose mindset went before him and it continues through the present day. Whether its 300 Lakota Sioux who were massacred at wounded Knee or the present day slaughter of South American peoples, it's the same idea. America is a multicultural society and her historical approach should likewise represent her people.

Sincerely,
Eric Thompson
anthropology

Don't tolerate rape; educate and reprove

Editor,

This letter is in response to the guest column by R.N. Baker. Your article had some points I strongly disagree with.

I recognize your efforts in noticing that rape needs to be stopped. However, instead of placing blame and deciding who is at fault, spend your energy helping a survivor, or educating people who tolerate rape. Making excuses for why rape happens is just as bad as not acknowledging that it happens, and that it is indeed a problem. Your type of thinking does not help the fight against rape. Instead it puts the fight back another step.

Also you said that having prostitution legalized can help make the streets safe and teach some men about healthy sexuality. First off, most rapes don't occur in a dark alley, or on a street corner, but by someone the survivor knows, namely dates or acquaintances. And secondly, prostitutes are victims of rape and sexual violence and have been since the profession started. But what are the chances of a prostitute saying she was raped, and being heard? In this country? Pretty nil. So by saying that prostitution "could inform the beast about its nature," is merely being naive.

Furthermore you said that "too many women want the right to say no without having the risk of being told no." Women shouldn't have to "want" the right to say no — they should be granted it, no question.

I wish I had an answer to how to end rape, but the bottom line is that rape is a problem. A sickness in fact, and until people realize that it is an act of power and violence, and that no one deserves to be raped, it will continue.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Reardon
freshman, premed / general



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more letters to the editor

Regents collect perks, not library books

Editor,
Again the Board of Regents has taken advantage of the tax dollars provided by the hard-working people of Montana. The regents, not with their own money, attended the Montana vs. Montana State football game. At the same time they sat atop Grizzly Stadium having a three martini lunch, the Mansfield library staff tried to figure out ways to shelve the piled up books.

Nov. 17 I went to the library to do research for a literature midterm paper. Much to my dismay and annoyance the Explicator, a literacy review magazine, had been discontinued as a magazine that the library could receive. There is something seriously wrong when a University recognized for its English department cannot even provide the students with a nationally recognized literature magazine.

However, the university can provide the governing body of the state university system with free work perks. Perhaps the regents should get their priorities straight and examine whether education and the arts are more important than martini football games.

Sincerely,
Michael Willing
freshman, music

SARS official will be missed

Editor,
I am responding to articles

written in Wednesday's (11/16) and Thursday's (11/17) Kaimins regarding the suspension of Victoria Schaller, co-coordinator of UM's Sexual Assault Recovery Service (SARS) While I acknowledge the complexity of this issue, I would like to extend my support for Victoria.

Victoria was instrumental in developing SARS, a safe place where UM students can seek support and advocacy for rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment. She has continued to be a strong leader, investing incredible energy to support and advocate for countless survivors, train peer advocates to do the same, and lead SARS to regional if not national recognition for its work.

While I applaud the quality of work done by all SARS staff, I believe Victoria deserves much credit. Her dedication is a main reason why the University of Montana has a place where its students can go and feel safe, and trust that a commitment will be maintained to protect their rights and confidentiality. Victoria's strength in this commitment is present in the situation regarding SARS records. It seems obvious to me that this was not an act done for selfish reasons, but one which actually endangered herself (employment, reputation) to protect another's rights. I believe the loss of Victoria would be a loss not just for SARS, but for every UM student who believes it should be a human right to be able to talk to someone about a painful experience and trust that it won't be used against them.

Sincerely,
Karin Bronson
senior,
elementary education



Bicyclists don't belong on campus, period

I have a series of public questions for which I respectfully request public answers.

Mr. Dennison: Why is it illegal to ride a bike on the sidewalks of Missoula and not on the sidewalks of the University of Montana? Are we pedestrians somehow less valuable when walking on campus than we are when walking in the rest of this city? Can UM afford the lawsuit I intend to file against it when I am injured by a bicyclist on this campus?

(This could be the Exxon Valdez of Academia!)

Why are you not doing something, considering you have complete and intimate knowledge of the dangers, about the risk I take every day on this campus just trying to attend classes? Can you afford to be a party to my lawsuit?

Hey bikers: Can you and/or your parents afford to be a party to my lawsuit? Why can't you walk while on campus? Why do you complain about the danger other vehicles pose to you on the streets, but ignore the danger you pose to me on the campus sidewalks? Are we pedestrians to

understand that you are more concerned about your selfish attitude toward bicycling than you are about the risk you pose to us? Do you understand the phrase split-second when it is used to describe how fast a bicycle vs. pedestrian accident happens? Do you understand how easy it would be to eliminate the possibility of such an accident by walking instead of riding?

Ms. Karen Jaworsky: Could it be that the reason you

cent of the campus bike riders give themselves a "bad name"?

What advice can you give to these bike riders who can't help driving in a crowd of "stupid and oblivious" pedestrians? Do you know any good civil lawsuit defense lawyers?

What are "the rules of the road" concerning riding a bike down a sidewalk where a hundred people are walking with their backs to the

"Why is it illegal to ride a bike on the sidewalks of Missoula and not on the sidewalks of the University of Montana?"

believe it necessary to "stereotype" UM biker students as troublemakers is because they are? Could it be that they learn their bad habit (riding on the sidewalk) from George Dennison who lets them ride their bikes on campus sidewalks crowded with pedestrians? Isn't the phrase "riding recklessly on campus" an oxymoron? Isn't your 1 percent estimate (about the percentage of students who are making trouble compared to the whole biker population) just a little low, considering that 100 per-

bicyclist? And why is it more stupid to ride a bike at night without a light than to ride through this crowd of people?

And lastly I would like to paraphrase you — with my apologies. "Cyclists cannot justify riding recklessly by blaming" pedestrians for daring to walk on their sidewalk. (Notice the word that names the thing we use on this campus to get from one class to another is sidewalk not sideride.)

—Mike Pane is a graduate student in communications.

Officer crossed line of common courtesy

This is in regard to Rebecca M. Lee's statements concerning the incident of a UM police officer, Joe Bailey, illegally entering a room occupied by overflow students on the morning of Aug. 28. Ms. Lee stated that Mr. Andrew P. Steele, an occupant of the room at the time of the incident, did not have his personal rights violated and should be ridiculed for even attempting to question the officer's action.

Personally, I am glad that Mr. Steele had the intelligence and intuition to go through the proper channels and file a complaint against the officer. I was living in the room at the time of the "officer break-in." I would still like to know why officer Bailey decided to enter our room. Officer Bailey said he heard loud music. Well if he did, how come another person and I were sound asleep at the time of the incident? How come no one else in the hall, including the resident assistant, was disturbed? In fact the resident assistant on duty

had just finished making rounds five minutes before officer Bailey stopped by. Even if Mr. Steele was playing disturbingly loud music, officer Bailey should at least follow standard procedure. All the officer had to do was get a resident assistant to go with him. To even get to the overflow room, he had to walk by the hall's main office and our resident assistant's room. At the very least he should have knocked on the door. Instead Mr. Bailey saw two people sitting on the porch. They were doing nothing wrong. They were just sitting there talking. Officer Bailey evidently had a problem with this. He thought that since it was four in the morning anybody awake must be doing something illegal. So Bailey decided to key in the room and check it out. What did he find? Absolutely nothing. Unfortunately for Joe Bailey, all he found was two people in bed, who he had just woken up, and two people outside on the porch talking. No

one else's rights were violated, just the rights of the people in the room.

In response to Ms. Lee's comments, I do not think that officer Bailey was worried about providing "us all with a safe environment conducive to learning." He was more worried about having his picture in the paper arresting crazed, drugged-up students. Too bad. We did not fulfill his wishes. Perhaps you, Ms. Lee, should stop and consider the rights of others before crying out about Mr. Steele's supposed "whining." Would you, Ms. Rebecca M. Lee, like it, if an officer keyed into your room for no valid reason while you were asleep with your significant other? If this is normal for you, maybe you should have lived in Nazi Germany and not in the United States. Maybe if you read the first article completely, you would see my point. Even one of Bailey's fellow officers said that he himself would have not entered the room.

—Bob Culbreth is a junior in forestry.

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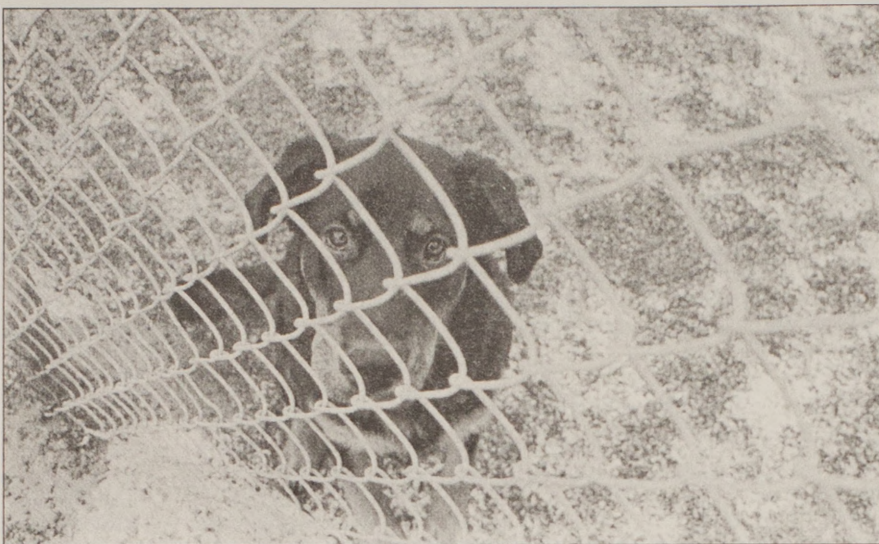
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Lonely eyes ...



Tonya Easbey/Kaimin

CALLIE, a 6-month-old Rottweiler mix, was abandoned because her owners moved into a home where no dogs were allowed, said Humane Society Education Coordinator Esther O'Donald. O'Donald warns students against getting a dog without seriously thinking first of costs, vacations and rentals that don't allow dogs.

Concerning U

Painting exhibit

— Julius Seyler, German impressionist, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Saturday, Gallery of Visual Arts, Social Science Building.

Wednesday Supper and Soul — "Living in a New Way," 5:30 p.m., Wesley House, 1327 Arthur Avenue.

Art exhibit — Linda Whitney, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., through Dec. 22, University Center, opening reception Dec. 2, 4-6 p.m.

ASUM Senate meeting — 6 p.m., University Center Mount Sentinel Room.

Cooking with wild game — learn secrets from the Dining Services experts, 7-9 p.m., University Center Mount Sentinel Room, preregister at the Wellness Center, 243-2027, free.

Career seminar — The Guardian, for all majors,



Montana Rooms, 7 p.m., for more information contact Career Services.

Community meeting — "Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Stone Container but were Afraid to Ask," 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers.

Reminder: Applications to work on the Kaimin next semester are due tomorrow.

Meeting to plan King Day events

A community meeting to plan events commemorating Martin Luther King Jr. Day will be held Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 7 p.m. at the Jeannette Rankin Peace Center, 519 South Higgins.

The event is sponsored by the Native American Studies Department, Missoula Advocates for Social Justice, and the Jeannette Rankin Peace Resource Center. For more information, call Bonnie Craig at the Native American Studies Department, 243-5831.

Temptations lease gets chilly reception

Erin Billings
Kaimin Reporter

The turnover of Temptations Yogurt into a frozen drink shop is on ice until the administration, buyers and the University Center Board can iron out details of the lease, UC Chairwoman Dixie Dishon said Tuesday.

"Some of the players are very unhappy with how the lease stands right now," she said.

The UC Board gave the UC

Bookstore approval last month to purchase Temptations Frozen Yogurt shop in the UC food court and turn it into a frozen drink and coffee shop.

But problems surfaced when the board and buyers questioned the terms of the administration's lease.

Dishon said the UC Board will ask the university Wednesday to use any extra money raised from the shop to improve the UC. She added that the UC Board has no control over speeding up the turnover.

Dishon said the buyout stalled when buyers went to lawyers to change parts of the

lease. That slowed the process, she said.

UC Bookstore Manager Bryan Thornton admitted he has concerns but said that seeking an attorney is normal during a buyout.

He said his biggest fear is that the current lease, after three years, gives the adminis-

tration the authority to change what the shop sells without any input from students or operators.

"That makes us a little nervous," he

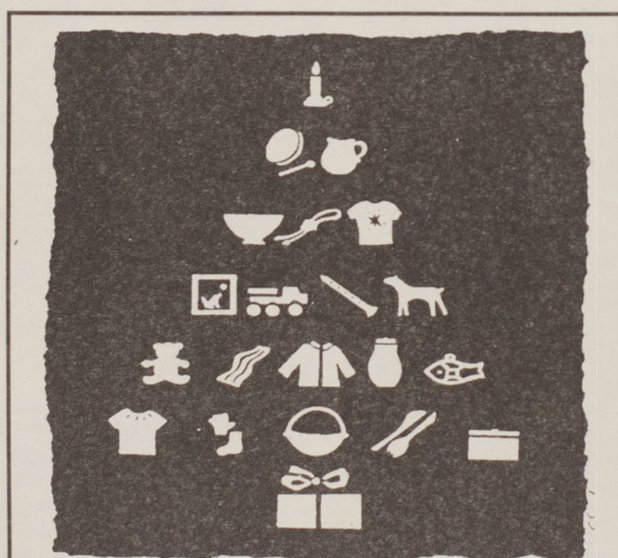
said. "We want the constituency on campus to have the opportunity to speak and say what they want."

UM attorney David Aronofsky, who drafted the lease, said that the UC Bookstore hasn't discussed their concerns with the university, but added that reworking parts of the lease shouldn't be a problem.

He said that after UC Board recommendations and buyers' concerns are addressed, UM President George Dennison will have the final say. Aronofsky predicts that the lease will be approved within two weeks.

"Some of the players are very unhappy with how the lease stands right now."

—Dixie Dishon,
UC Board chairwoman



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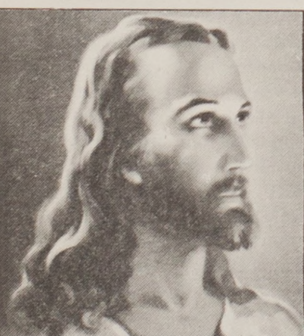
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perspectives

Written by: Heidi Guth
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KATE PHILLIPS DAVIS and Kiko, a fragile prairie falcon with a broken shoulder, walk toward the raptors' enclosures on Davis' ranch sandwiched between the Clark Fork River and Interstate 90 in Clinton.

Raptor Raptures

When you leave Bitterroot Taxidermy in Missoula, you see a hand-lettered sign taped to the wooden door that reads, "Hunters, save your hearts for Mimi." Taped below the blue and red words is a photo of Mimi—a hybrid falcon who will never hunt again and who relies on donated hearts and other meats for her food.

Kate Phillips Davis, who works at Bitterroot Taxidermy, feeds Mimi and nine other injured birds of prey with both the discarded and the proceeds of the shop where she specializes in birds and small mammals.

Davis says that each night, "Before bed, I go to the freezer, right next to the ice cream, and grab a few mice, a coyote leg, maybe a raccoon, some fish, and let it thaw so the next morning, before work, I can go around and feed the birds."

Sick, hurt and orphaned raptors are brought to Davis by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, the Humane Society, veterinarians, sheriffs and police.

Half are treated, healed and returned to the wild, and those that cannot be released are used as ambassadors and teachers to people of all ages.

Davis, 34, has been rehabilitating raptors for 21 years. She graduated from UM in 1982 with a degree in zoology, and in spring 1988, received her federal possession, rehabilitation, eagle exhibition and falconry permits.

Nine raptors live permanently with Davis and her husband Tom on a ranch in Clinton, 15 minutes east of Missoula. Converted sheds and fenced enclosures are scattered around their 19th-century log house. The once pig, goat, turkey and chicken pens are now homes to injured birds of prey, some of whom would have fed upon the previous occupants.

For example, a pesticide-poisoned golden eagle lives in an old, open turkey pen. Max's brain damage affects his balance so his six-foot wingspan can't lift him more than two feet off the ground.

Alice, a Cooper's hawk named for the rock 'n' roll singer, is living in her dream house—a renovated chicken coop—but since she only has one wing, she can't swoop down

on a warm, running chicken of her own.

Across from Max lives Clive, a red-tailed hawk with a pesticide-caused birth defect of a twisted wing, and a missing right eye from being blown out of his nest-tree by the wind at 4 weeks old.

Davis recently built a new enclosure with some donated fencing from UM's Wilderness Society for an osprey named Gill. Gill was lucky not to die this July in Philipsburg. Powerlines so old that the insulation had burned off electrocuted at least four ospreys that same month. Electricity entered Gill's right wing and exited her left foot, now scarred and twisted.

Screaming Mimi, a hybrid falcon, lives in an enclosure near Gill's. This April, five years after surviving a hunting accident in which she broke a wing following partridges through an irrigation wheel, she was given to Davis.

Mimi screams and is wary of people because she was mistreated for the five years she was kept captive after her injury. Davis is trying to wean Mimi of her behavior by handling the falcon daily and making her take food—roughages like heartmeat, ground squirrels, deer and elk—from Davis' hand.

In an old hog pen, Bobo, a great horned owl, has a series of progressively higher branches encircling the walls of his room forming a ladder for him. He can no longer fly because a hunter, who said he thought Bobo was a spike elk, shot his wing six years ago.

Outside Bobo's room is a plywood wall with streaks of white dripping from ceiling to floor. "I had a professional photographer come here," Davis says, "and the thing he got most excited about was that wall—the spectacular patterns of poop."

Davis' own artwork is much better. She does etchings, photographs, drawings, paintings, prints and sculptures of birds. Her artwork has been in such prestigious shows as the 1993 "Animals in Art" exhibition in Chicago and in the 1993 "Leigh Yawkey Woodson Birds in Art" show in Wausau, Wis.

Living with raptors helps Davis portray them realistically both on paper and when mounting them at the taxidermy shop.

Rebuilding a dead bird is technical, delicate work with its own artistic elements. From arranging the skin ("taxi-ing the derma," as Davis says) to adding the props,



PLASTIC FORMS hanging above her, Davis shapes the wired wings of a white-fronted goose from Canada, which will be mounted to look like it is about to take off in flight.

everything must be exact and realistic.

For instance, Davis paints the beaks with Elmer's glue to make them smooth and to fill in the holes. Then she airbrushes them and the feet because the leather will fade. Wires are put into the wings and necks so they can be curved into lifelike positions, and the cheeks are stuffed and shaped with wads of quilting batting.

And every few minutes, Davis blow dries the feathers, which take about a week to dry completely. When they do, they'll never move again. Any misplaced feather can make a bird look unnatural, so Davis takes up to two hours at the end of the process just arranging feathers.

"They're like shingles," Davis says. "You just line them up."

And like shingles, you could line up all 18,000 people who have seen Davis' living raptors and heard her programs. You can bet that each of them, not just hunters, are saving their hearts for Mimi — and all other raptors.



MIMI was bred specifically to hunt Hungarian partridges. A hybrid, she cannot be reintroduced into the wild where she might mate with wild raptors.



Owl etching by Kate Phillips Davis

Neighborhoods clash over city annexation

Mark Matthews
Kaimin Reporter

Like the Mason-Dixon Line separating the North from the South, Missoula's Reserve Street is becoming a dividing line for county homeowners for and against city annexation.

It's no Civil War, but residents' emotions are heating up as they argue with each other about the fate of their neighborhoods.

At Monday's City Council meeting, Mayor Dan Kemmis interrupted a vigorous, private discussion between spokesmen for two opposing groups, telling them to take their discussion into the hallway, or shut up.

The majority of pro-annexation homeowners live in the populated neighborhoods east of Reserve, which can legally be incorporated into Missoula because the area is surrounded by the city.

Their spokesmen said Monday that protesters, most of whom live west of Reserve, are spreading false information to persuade west-side homeowners to sign a petition to halt annexation.

The protesters denied the accusations.

As an enticement, the mayor has offered a \$2,500 per house incentive that would go toward the cost of mandatory sewer hook ups for both east-side and west-side neighborhoods. But if the west side pulls out, east-side residents won't get the money.

Annexation of both areas is crucial for the city because it will bring Missoula's population above 50,000, making it easier for the city to get federal grants.

"Residents signing the petition say they were given erroneous information," east-side resident Roger Murray said during Monday's public comment period. "They told me they want to get their names off those petitions."

In an interview Tuesday, Murray said the protesters are entering the fray too late and with too little information.

"This process began two years ago and everyone in the area was invited to join in," Murray said.

Murray would not comment on the misinformation. He said pro-annexation homeowners will explain their accusations at a press conference at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Missoula Public Library. Protest leader John Brauer, a west-side resident, denied the allegations. "I'll gladly publicly debate with the proponents of the issue at any time," he said.

According to Brauer, the protesters have good reasons to avoid annexation, including a fear of higher taxes and fewer services. But their major complaint is that annexation is being tied up with the sewer incentive, he said.

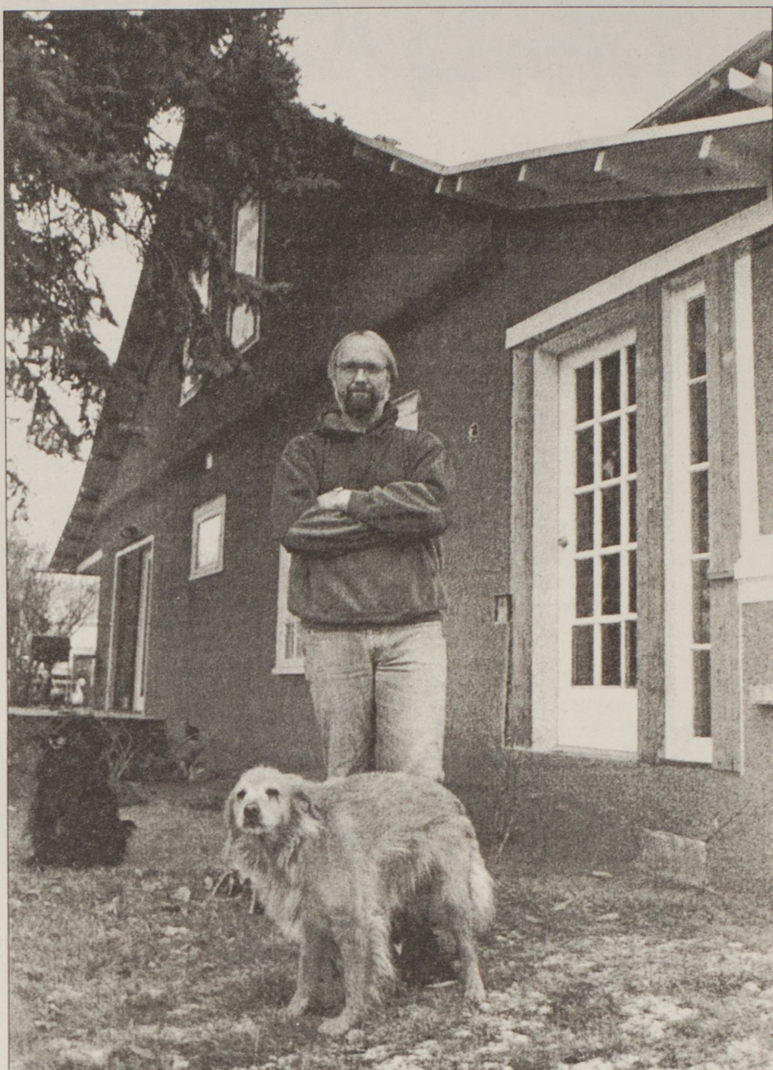
"It's blackmail," Brauer said. "It's detrimental to the democratic process."

To stop the annexation process more than half the west-side homeowners must sign the petition. The actual number of homeowners in the area has not yet been determined by the city, Brauer said.

Many homeowners are signing the petition, Brauer said. But he would not give an exact number.

"I don't want to give any information to the city that they can use against us," he said.

Not budging ...



Tonya Easbey/Kaimin

IF THE LAND west of Reserve Street was to be annexed into the city as proposed, it would cost Tom McKoy, of 2614 Strand, \$1,500 to \$2,000 per year. "And they're (the city) not offering anything... nothing," said McKoy, adding that he had good services already, with the rural fire department and hospital nearby.

MPC consumers hit by 2 percent rate hike

HELENA (AP) — The Public Service Commission has approved an immediate 2 percent rate increase for electric customers of the Montana Power Co., to be paid while the commission considers MPC's request for a permanent 9.3 percent rate increase.

The interim rate increase was approved on a 3-2 vote Monday.

It will give MPC an additional \$7.6 million to \$7.9 million in revenue each year, but that is less than half of the \$16 million sought by Montana Power as the interim increase.

The electric utility wants a permanent rate increase of \$30.6 million a year. The utility commission is expected to rule on that request next year.

If the PSC approves a rate increase of less than 2 percent, the excess money collected under the interim rate would be refunded to customers

through credits on their bill.

Dean Conklin, a spokesman for the utility, said the interim rate increase will add 90 cents to \$1 to the monthly bills of a typical residential customer, who pays about \$45 a month in electric bills. But the figure will vary depending on electricity usage.

The Montana consumer counsel, who represents consumer interests before the commission, has recommended against MPC's \$30.6 million rate increase request, calling it unjustified and recommending it be trimmed to \$2.3 million. However, the counsel made no recommendation on the interim increase.

Voting for the 2 percent increase were PSC Chairman Bob Anderson and Commissioners Dave Fisher and Danny Oberg. Voting against were Commissioners Bob Rowe and Nancy McCaffree.

Sewers clog debate over Reserve area annexation

Mark Matthews
Kaimin Reporter

A two-year study on Missoula's unsewered areas is only half complete, but Peter Nielsen, Missoula County environmental health supervisor, already knows that the area east of Reserve Street between South Avenue and Third Street is a problem area. That's the area which will soon be annexed into the city and its residences hooked up to the city sewer system.

The area is more densely populated than any already in the city, including around the university, Nielsen said. And because of the high density, most homes get rid of their waste through cesspools that have no drainage fields.

"Cesspools are open-ended pipes in the ground that inject waste water at a depth of 10 to 20 feet below the surface," he said. "Those systems are now illegal to install."

The cesspools successfully remove waste from the immediate area because coarse soils allow the groundwater to sweep the waste away quickly, Nielsen said. "But the waste water ends up in the drinking water somewhere down the line," he said.

Nielsen says that less than half of the homes and businesses in the Missoula Valley are

hooked up to the city sewer system.

Since the east side of Reserve Street is already surrounded by city limits it cannot escape annexation. The area west of Reserve Street, where the homes are not packed so closely together, is also up for annexation.

Many of those homeowners don't want to join the city because of the cost of the sewer hookup (estimated as high as \$7,000 by some) and a fear of higher taxes with fewer services.

As an enticement to comply, the city has offered homeowners in the Reserve Street area up to \$2,500 toward paying for the sewer hookup. But homeowners say the city is using the water issue as an excuse to blackmail them to join the city. If both areas are annexed, the city's population will rise above 50,000, which makes the city eligible for federal grant money.

At the Nov. 14 City Council meeting, many protesters claimed there was no scientific data to support the claim that their septic systems are polluting the aquifer.

Bill Woessner, UM geology professor, is doing research on the aquifer. He is in the midst of a \$150,000 study and doesn't have any final data. But he thinks there may be a problem.

"Each household in the area is discharging 200-300 gallons of waste water per day," he said. "And it's all going directly into the ground."

According to Woessner, the swift moving groundwater in the area dilutes the waste. "It would be like dumping a bucket of waste into a swimming pool," he said. "The waste is diluted, but it's still there."

Woessner says he has found traces of nitrates, chlorides and bacteria in wells in the area west of Reserve Street. The traces get higher as the groundwater approaches the Bitterroot River.

"Whether the traces are too high to say the drinking water is being affected is partly a political matter," Woessner said.

Nielsen said that nitrates, although harmful to infants and some ill people, don't affect the average person. "But nitrates are indicators that we are able to monitor," he said. "There may be other things like viruses and bacteria also in the water that we can't monitor."

John Brauer, a spokesman for the protesters, said protecting the aquifer should be a common theme throughout the valley. "Regardless if there is a problem with the aquifer or not, why does sewerage and annexation have to be tied together?"

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Spikers to host Arkansas State

Nikki Judovsky
Kaimin Reporter

First round NCAA Volleyball Tournament action comes to Missoula Wednesday when UM hosts Arkansas State at 7:30 p.m., at Dahlberg Arena.

The Lady Griz officially became part of the tournament when they landed an at-large berth, which is largely based on the difficulty of a team's schedule and a their overall

record. UM is 24-5.

Montana head coach Dick Scott said he attributes the NCAA bid to the tough schedule the Lady Griz faced all season long.

"If you look at the teams in the tournament, they are all teams we lost to at the tournament at the beginning of the

season (Mississippi State Classic)," he said.

Scott noted the losses but also an important victory as a reason Montana made it to the tournament.

"We defeated Wyoming, and they also got a bid. So that victory

was a big one as far as us getting in to this tournament," Scott said.

Montana's last NCAA appearance was in 1991, but since then Idaho has been a bug in UM's system. The Vandals have won the Big Sky Championship the past three years, beating the Lady Griz in the finals the

last two years.

With the start of this year's NCAA tournament, Montana is coming off back-to-back losses to Idaho, both of which had major implications.

The initial loss to the Vandals cost Montana a chance to host the Big Sky Tournament. UM ended the regular season tied

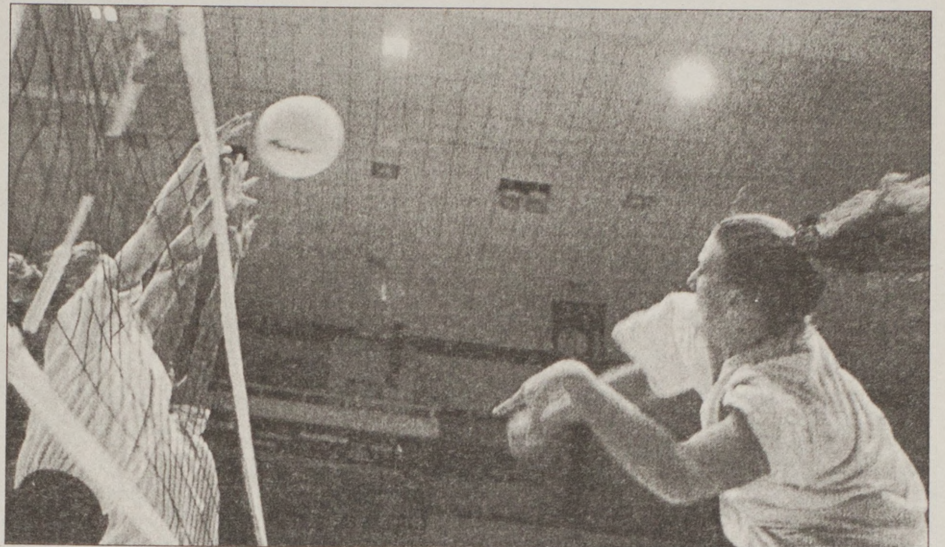
Montana had four representatives named to the 1994 Big Sky All-Conference team. They were:

Karen Goff-Downs
(1st team middle blocker)

Linde Eidenberg
(1st team setter)

Heidi Williams (2nd team middle blocker)

Inga Swanson
(Honorable mention middle blocker)



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A BIG BLOCK awaits the ball during a Lady Griz volleyball practice Tuesday.

with Idaho, but the Vandals had a better overall winning percentage and hosted the tournament. The second loss to Idaho came the following weekend during the Big Sky Championships. The teams were tied at 1-1 when Montana took the lead in the third game. But Idaho came back to defeat the Lady Griz 3-2 and won the Big Sky title, along with an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

Unlike other seasons, where not winning the Big Sky cost the Lady Griz an NCAA bid, the losses this year were not as damaging since Montana still made it to the NCAA tournament.

"It was a shocker to us," Scott said of the loss to Idaho in the Big Sky championship match. "But we've had a little time to let that go and get back at it. The kids are really, really excited and ready to play."

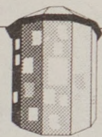
Montana will face an Arkansas State team that has won seven consecutive Sun Belt Conference championships and 13 total in the program's 20-year existence.

The Lady Indians have a strong outside hitting group, led by senior Margie Kolat, who has 352 kills. Scott said Montana is bigger than Arkansas State, but he doesn't view that as much of an advantage for Montana.

"We will have to control them (Arkansas State's hitters)," Scott said. "Even though they are pretty small, they have good athletic ability and can jump well. They have to, to be that successful."

Teams that both schools have played include Idaho, Eastern Washington, Boise State, Mississippi State and George Mason. Arkansas State posted a 2-3 record versus those teams while Montana went 6-3, with losses to Idaho (twice), and George Mason.

If Montana defeats Arkansas State, UM will travel to take on defending NCAA champion Long Beach State.



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Author stepping in to consult SARS

Thomas Nybo
Kaimin Reporter

In an effort to clear up the future of a Sexual Assault Recovery Service scarred by records-trashing, UM officials are bringing in the author of "Sexual Assault on College Campuses" to conduct a two-day workshop.

Gail Abarbanel, author of "Sexual Assault on College Campuses" and the founder of one of the nation's oldest rape treatment programs, will address problems resulting from the suspension of UM's SARS co-coordinator who told UM officials that she destroyed confidential records.

In a memo — sent to UM President George Dennison, Dean of Students Barbara Hollmann, and University Counsel David Aronofsky — the acting chair for the University Council on Sexual Assault and the director of Student Health Services explain their reasons for bringing in Abarbanel, who lives in Santa Monica, Calif.

"In wake of the destruction of SARS records and the subsequent need to re-examine SARS, we are proposing bringing a consultant, Gail Abarbanel, to campus the first week of December for a daylong focus group," wrote the Council on Sexual Assault Acting Chair Jim Burfeind and Health Services Director Nancy Fitch in the Nov. 18 memo.

SARS co-coordinator Victoria Schaller was placed on paid leave Oct. 31 after a student's records that were subpoenaed in a rape case disappeared. She told UM officials she destroyed them to protect the student's confidentiality.

On Nov. 15, Burfeind asked Dennison to sign off on a committee that would review SARS' records policy and the organization's ties to Student Health Services. Dennison OK'd the committee and committed \$1,000 toward the expenses of bringing in Abarbanel, who is charging a \$750 consultation

fee, Fitch said. She added that the Council on Sexual Assault and the Student Health Services are each contributing \$500 to the event, which should total less than \$2,000.

In a recent interview, Fitch told the Kaimin that Schaller's actions arose from a conflict between the records-keeping policy of the health service and SARS. SARS based its policy on that of Women's Place, a local sexual assault and battery crisis center.

"The model of Women's Place is a very independent advocacy group and that model was put into the SARS program," Fitch said. "The logic is that for an agency like that to be truly advocacy, they have to have to have a great deal of autonomy and independence, and how can that be incorporated into a university institution? That's the real question here."

Abarbanel's experience might help to answer that question, Burfeind told the Kaimin yesterday.

"She's operated a sexual assault program within the context of a medical facility," Burfeind said. "That's what we have here right now, so she can probably give us some advice and direction about structural arrangements for programming."

Mary Thorndike, SARS co-coordinator and chair for the review committee, said she welcomes anyone who has used SARS to attend the workshop.

"I think some of the most important voices to be heard are those of the survivors who've used SARS services," Thorndike said. "I want to invite anyone who has been to SARS to participate in this process by taking part in the workshop with Gail."

The workshop will be held Sunday in the Pope Room of the Law School from 7 to 9 p.m. and Monday in the Dell Brown Room of Turner Hall from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone interested in attending can call Mary Thorndike at 243-5244 to sign up.

Not on the itinerary ...



Seanna O'Sullivan/Kaimin

LEAH FULP, a junior in womens studies, and Roger Poirier, a junior in biology, took advantage of their Thanksgiving break by taking a day trip to Dillon, but a flat tire and rough weather made the trip a little longer than expected.

Locals to be heard over Sourdough access

Rebecca Huntington
Kaimin Reporter

UM might get a new conference center in the Seeley Lake area, but only if university officials can figure out how to get to it, says Larry Morlan, the director of the UM Foundation.

A construction of a 500-foot-long causeway is being considered as a means to get year-round access to the Sourdough Island log mansion on Salmon Lake that Dennis and Phyllis Washington want to donate to UM. But a swinging rope bridge, hovercraft, tramway or other suggestions by citizens are still possibilities, Morlan says.

The UM Foundation has asked the federal government to extend the public comment period and to hold a public hearing on the causeway. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has to approve any structure, such as the proposed causeway, that touches water.

But even if the corps decides not to extend the comment period or have a hearing, university officials plan to go to the Seeley Lake area, hopefully before the holidays, to gather residents' comments.

UM officials plan to bring an engineer and a scientist to answer questions about environmental impacts, says Bob Frazier, assistant to UM President George Dennison. The effect on loon nesting was one concern Seeley residents voiced when Frazier met with them two weeks ago, he says.

Residents were also concerned about the mansion going to the UM Foundation, a nonprofit organization, because the community wouldn't get any property tax money from it, Frazier says. The mansion was for sale for \$4.6 million.

But Frazier points out that people staying at Sourdough Island would spend their money in the Seeley Lake area.

In addition to the proposed Sourdough Island conference center, the Board of Regents has approved funding to build a dormitory at Lubrecht Forest between Missoula and Salmon Lake where the Castles Forestry Center hosts conferences. The 32-person dorm will provide a place for people using the center to stay overnight, which will attract more people who will spend money in the Seeley area, he says.

About 85 groups, 1,741 individuals, used the Lubrecht conference facilities in 1993, said Henry Goetz, field stations director. This included professional foresters, educational workshops, public agencies, student groups, conservation organizations and church and volunteer groups.

The proposed conference center on Salmon Lake would probably host groups of less than 15 people, smaller than those accommodated at Lubrecht, Morlan says.

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